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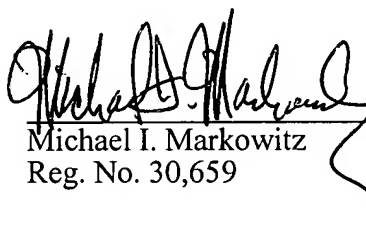
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On February 5, 2004, Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), a copy of which IDS and attached Form PTO 1449 are enclosed, as well as a Search Report dated December 10, 2003 from the corresponding United Kingdom Patent Application and the

reference enclosed with that IDS, copies of which are enclosed. That IDS was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office as evidenced by a copy of a date-stamped postcard from the United States Patent and Trademark Office, which is enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the reference enclosed with the IDS and return a copy of Form PTO 1449, initialed, signed, and dated to evidence consideration of the reference enclosed with the Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,



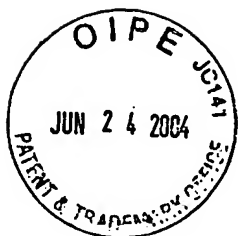
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In order to comply with discretionary rules 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, attached hereto is a copy of Form PTO-1449 and copy of the document listed thereon. This document contains information in which the Examiner may consider to be important in deciding whether to issue a patent in the instant application.

Also attached is a copy of a Search Report dated December 10, 2003 from the corresponding United Kingdom Patent Application. The document listed in Form PTO-1449 appears in the Search Report.

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

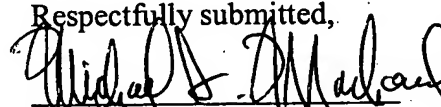
Since this Information Disclosure Statement attached is being filed after the mailing of an Ex Parte Quayle action on January 2, 2004, a fee of \$180 is due.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 §CFR 1.56 as an Examiner might consider any cited document important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, but the citation of each document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37 CFR 1.104 (a), and in the course of such search will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

Early and favorable consideration is respectfully solicited.

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